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## Editorial Briefs.

**Very Important Notice.**—The National Mission Board, through its secretary, informs us that the "Appeal for the Washington Mission" in last week's paper was irregular and should be recalled. The Board is disposed to help the Washington Mission to the extent of its ability, but insists that all appeals are regular and orderly.

PLEASE remember the 3,000 mark.

Two numbers of *Cheering Words* and four numbers of *Our Little Folks* for the month of December have been mailed.

SEND us 50 cents for 100 tracts entitled the "Arched Gate;" you will like it and it will do good. One full page illustration.

ALL inquiries concerning Ashland University should be addressed to Dr. E. J. Worst, Ashland, O., or John Keim, Louisville, O.

WE are in receipt of a very complete report from the treasurer of the S. S. C. E., Sister Keim. The report will be published next week.

WHAT a pleasant Christmas and happy New Year the editor and publisher of this paper would have if every one *now indebted to this office* would remit at once.

WE still have on hand a few copies of "Our Bible, Church and Country," one of which we will give to any one sending us one *new* subscriber at \$1.50. Postage 25 cents.

HAVE you seen a sample copy of "Glad Tidings," a Christmas service prepared by brother J. A. Miller? Send for a copy. Only five cents; ~~ten~~ or more copies, 2½ cents each.

WHY should it be considered a thing impossible to raise the subscription list to 3,000? We can do it, brethren, if we stand by each other and do our whole duty. A little work, *earnest* work, on the part of those who are interested in the cause, will give us the 3,000.

THERE are few people whose practice keeps pace with their knowledge. Most of us know more than we practice. What is needed is, not less knowledge and instruction, but bringing our practice up to our knowledge, our doing up to our knowing. We do not know too much, but we *do* too little.

ALL the copy for the December number of *King's Children* is at hand and the paper will be mailed in a few days. A copy will be sent to each EVANGELIST subscriber, and it is to be hoped that the subscription list will be very largely increased. *King's Children* and EVANGELIST one year, \$1.70.

THE different departments of the paper have been somewhat disarranged this week, on account of the space given to the Missionary Circle. There is enough matter left over for another page, which will appear next week. Our readers will be pleased to learn that all the matter prepared by Brother Yoder for the Missionary Circle will be printed in tract form. There will be four or five *one* page tracts and three *four* page tracts, all of which will be ready next week.

WE want to send twenty copies of the EVANGELIST to Brother McFaden for his work in Chicago. For this purpose the editor of the Children's Department has made an appeal to the little people. They have already responded very liberally, as will be seen on page seven. Twenty-four dimes have been sent in. We hope the boys and girls will feel sufficient interest in this work to raise the amount. It is a good cause and affords the little folks an opportunity to work for the Master.

OUR Announcement of Bibles, books, albums, etc., as premiums with the EVANGELIST was crowded out this week. It will appear in next issue. If you want a fine Bible or some other suitable book as a gift to your friend, wait to see our Announcement. We will offer you what you cannot buy anywhere else at the same price.

PLEASE remember that during the year 1897, the Sunday-school lessons will be taken from the Acts of the Apostles. The texts selected involve many doctrinal points and practical teachings concerning the early church. A year's study in this part of God's Word will prove helpful in many ways. We need to learn more of the ways and methods of the early church and return to its primitive practice.

MANY of our pastors are now busy in revival work. It is the season of the year when many souls are gathered for the Master. As your number increases, the list of subscribers at your place should also increase. Pastors will find it helpful if new converts can be induced to read the paper regularly. They will keep informed on the workings of the church in general, become more intelligent and therefore more useful Christians.

SOME one writes us that he is tired of the *whining* and *begging* the EVANGELIST resorts to. Let us say to our good brother that this paper neither *whines* nor *begs*. What do you call whining? And what do you call begging? Is it really begging to ask people to pay their honest debts? Why is it that people whose subscription is paid think that others must not be asked, through the paper, to pay theirs, because it "grates" on their ears to read a "dun." When your minister preaches against a vice from which you are free, do you leave the church, or do you forbid him, because it does not "hit" you? Certainly not. Exercise the same judgment with reference to the paper.